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POLICY DIRECTIVE

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SUBJECT.	200	DISTRIBUTION				
Inclusion of the Slow for the Cone Zo		All District Directors				
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		All Deputy District Directors	s - Transportation Planning			
		Chief, Division of Engineering	ng Services			
		Chief Counsel, Legal Division	on			
		Publications (California MU	TCD Website) signtech/mutcdsupp/ca mutcd.htm			
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		Headquarters Division Chief	s for:			
DOES THIS DIRECTIVE AFFECT OR SUPERSEDE	⊠YES □NO	IF YES, DESCRIBE				
ANOTHER DOCUMENT?	Addends Chapter 6F of the California MUTCD					
WILL THIS DIRECTIVE BE INCORPORATED IN THE CALIFORNIA MANUAL ON UNIFORM		IF YES, DESCRIBE				
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES	⊠YES □NO	Chapter 6F, Section 6F.109(C	A)			

DIRECTIVE

Pursuant to the authority granted to the California Department of Transportation (Department) in Section 21400 and 21401 of the California Vehicle Code(CVC), the following new signs shall be included in Part 6 of the California MUTCD, dated September 26, 2006;

California Code	MUTCD Code	Title of Sign	California MUTCD Section
SC19(CA)	None	Slow For The Cone Zone	6F.109(CA)
SC20(CA)	None	SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE	6F.109(CA)

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IMPLEMENTATION

The following policies shall be included in the California MUTCD:

Section 6F.109(CA) Slow For The Cone Zone (SC19(CA) and SC20(CA)) Signs Option:

The Slow For The Cone Zone (SC19(CA)) and SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE (SC20(CA)) signs (see Figures 6H-32(CA), 6H-33(CA) & 6H-36(CA)) may be used to remind motorists to slow down when entering a temporary traffic control (TTC) zone to improve worker and road user safety.

Guidance:

If used, the Slow For The Cone Zone (SC19(CA)) Sign should be located after the ROAD (STREET) WORK, XX FT, XX MILES, or AHEAD (W20-1) sign.

If used, the SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE (SC20(CA)) Sign should be located in the portion of the TTC zone where channelizing devices are being used.

Option:

A pictograph may be used on the SC19(CA) sign to identify a governmental jurisdiction, an area of jurisdiction, a governmental agency, a military base or branch of service, a governmental-approved university or college, or a governmental-approved institution.

Standard:

If a pictograph is used on the SC19(CA) sign, the maximum dimension (height or width) of a pictograph shall not exceed two times the letter height of the largest legend used on the sign.

Notes for Figure 6H-32(CA) – Typical Application 32 (California MUTCD Page 6H-77) Support:

12. See Section 6F.109(CA) for use of the Slow For The Cone Zone (SC19(CA) and SC20(CA)) Signs.

Notes for Figure 6H-33(CA) – Typical Application 33 (California MUTCD Page 6H-80)

Support:

6. See Section 6F.109(CA) for use of the Slow For The Cone Zone (SC19(CA) and SC20(CA)) Signs.

Notes for Figure 6H-36(CA) – Typical Application 36 (California MUTCD Page 6H-86) Support:

17. See Section 6F.109(CA) for use of the Slow For The Cone Zone (SC19(CA) and SC20(CA)) Signs.

In all applications of this policy, engineering judgment must be exercised. The objective is to provide uniform applications of signs statewide. If there are any questions regarding implementation, districts should consult with the Headquarters Traffic Operations Liaison.

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No new delegations of authority are created under this policy.

BACKGROUND

The addition of new signs into the CA MUTCD is common practice based on need. The Department, pursuant to CVC Section 21400; must conduct public hearings before it can approve new signs for use on public roadways. The California Traffic Control Devices Committee (CTCDC) is the forum used to satisfy this requirement.

The Department requested the CTCDC, at their December 8, 2004 meeting, for approval to experiment with the Slow For The Cone Zone signs as part of the statewide "Slow For The Cone Zone" education and public awareness campaign. The Department was granted approval to experiment with these signs at this meeting. This statewide campaign is a joint effort of the Department, the Governor's Office of Traffic Safety, the California Highway Patrol and the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) California Division. This successful campaign is focused on educating motorists to use caution while driving through work zones.

Due to the success of this campaign, the Department requested the CTCDC, at their January 31, 2008 meeting, to recommend that these signs be made official for regular application on California roadways. The CTCDC reviewed and recommended conceptual approval of the Slow For The Cone Zone signs, pending the FHWA approval of the depiction of cones on the sign.

The Department requested the FHWA on April 9, 2008 to approve the Slow For The Cone Zone signs for application in work zones. The FHWA granted approval for use of Slow For The Cone Zone signs on May 28, 2008.

This policy will be retired when it is incorporated in the next revision of the California MUTCD.

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DEFINITIONS

When used in this Traffic Operations Policy Directive, the text shall be defined as follows:

- 1) **Standard** a statement of required, mandatory or specifically prohibited practice. All standards text appears in **bold** type. The verb **shall** is typically used. Standards are sometimes modified by Options.
- 2) Guidance a statement of recommended, but not mandatory, practice in typical situations, with deviations allowed if engineering judgment or engineering study indicates the deviation to be appropriate. All Guidance statements text appears in underline type. The verb should is typically used. Guidance statements are sometime modified by Options.
- 3) Option a statement of practice that is a permissive condition and carries no requirement or recommendation. Options may contain allowable modifications to a Standard or Guidance. All Option statements text appears in normal type. The verb may is typically used.
- 4) Support an informational statement that does not convey any degree pf mandate, recommendation, authorization, prohibition, or enforceable condition. Support statements text appears in normal type. The verbs shall, should and may are not used in Support statements.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Detail of Slow For The Cone Zone (SC19(CA)) Sign, including text and symbol grid.
- 2. Detail of SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE (SC20(CA)) Sign.
- 3. Amended Figure 6H-32(CA) showing typical application of the SC19(CA) and SC20(CA) signs.
- 4. Amended Figure 6H-33(CA) showing typical application of the SC19(CA) and SC20(CA) signs.
- 5. Amended Figure 6H-36(CA) showing typical application of the SC19(CA) and SC20(CA) signs.



SC19 (CA)

ENGLISH UNITS

Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	J	K
114	78	1.25	9	8.5	19.5	32.5	38	4	14.5

COLORS: BORDER - WHITE

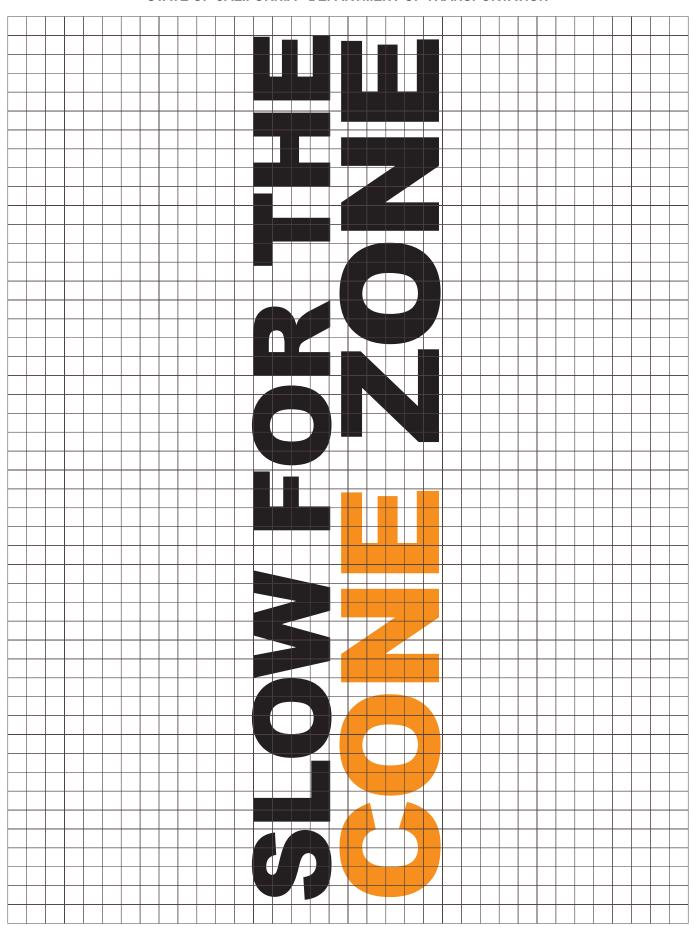
LEGEND - WHITE AND ORANGE BACKGROUND - BLUE AND WHITE

CONES - ORANGE

CT LOGO - GREEN (PANTONE #326), BLUE (PANTONE #299), AND BLACK

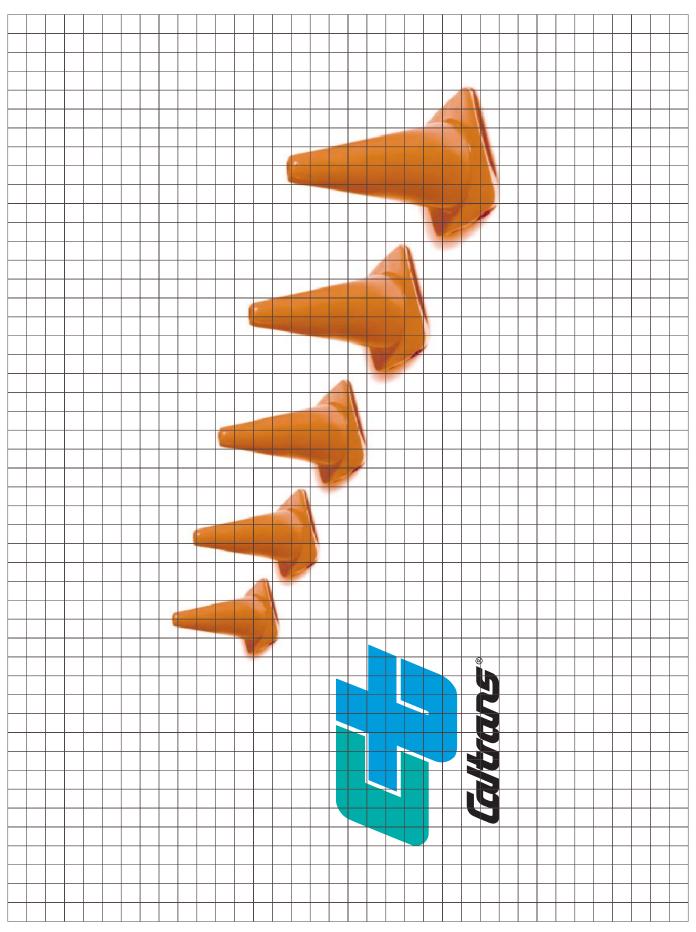
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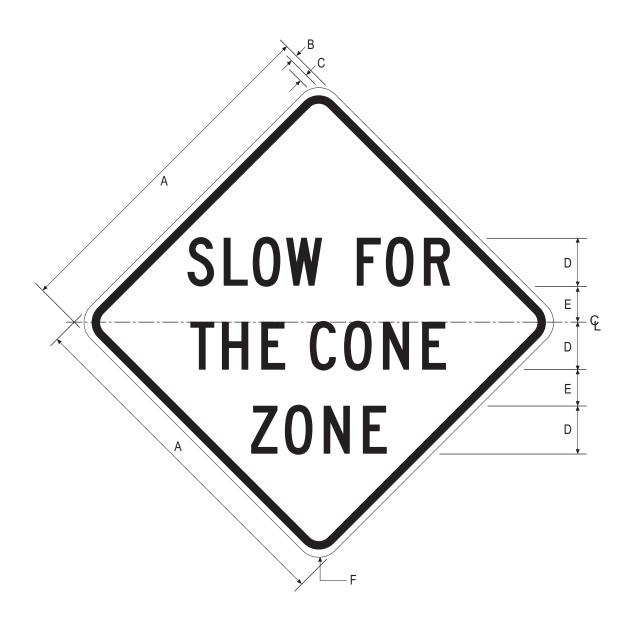


SC19(CA) - Grid 1

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SC19(CA) - Grid 2



SC20 (CA)

ENGLISH UNITS

Α	В	С	D	Е	F
36	.625	.875	5C	3.75	2.25
48	.75	1.25	7C	5.25	3

COLORS: BORDER & LEGEND - BLACK
BACKGROUND - ORANGE (RETROREFLECTIVE)

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Figure 6H-32 (CA). Half Road Closure on Multilane, High-Speed Highway (TA-32)

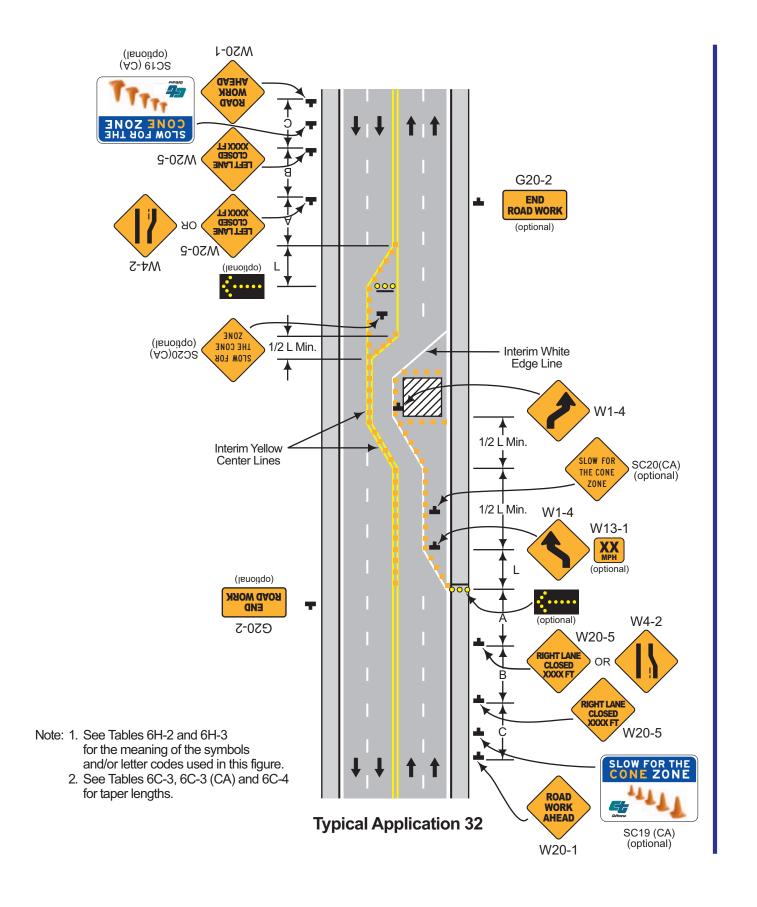
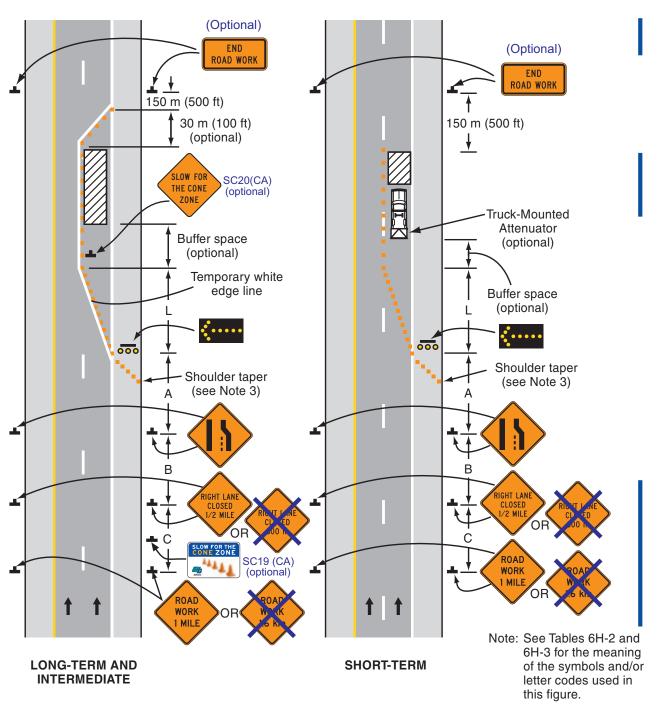


Figure 6H-33. Stationary Lane Closure on Divided Highway (TA-33)



Typical Application 33

Figure 6H-36. Lane Shift on Freeway (TA-36)

